



## **BLOSSOMS of HOPE...**

the Howard County Cherry Tree Project

# **MEDIA ADVISORY**



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April 9, 2007

*Howard County's BLOSSOMS OF HOPE to receive  
Gift of Friendship from 2007 D.C. Cherry Blossom Princesses*

## **Royal Visit a First as Howard County Ushers in its "Season of Pink"**

HOWARD COUNTY, MD --- Howard County's Office of Tourism's **BLOSSOMS of HOPE** initiative will welcome the **2007 National Conference of State Societies' Cherry Blossom Princess** as they visit Howard County for the first time and officially open the 2007 "Season of Pink". The princesses, who will appear in D.C.'s 2007 Parade of the National Cherry Blossom Festival® the following day, will sponsor a Blossoms of Hope tree in historic Ellicott City.

**WHO...** Ken Ulman, Howard County Executive  
Kristina Hilboldt, 2006 U.S. Cherry Blossom Queen  
Victoria Goodman, Executive Director Blossoms of Hope  
2007 National Conference of State Societies Cherry Blossom Princesses

**WHAT...** Continental Breakfast and BLOSSOMS OF HOPE Tree Dedication

**WHEN...** Friday, April 13, 2007  
8:30 am to 9:15 am (continental breakfast)  
9:15am remarks and tree dedication

**WHERE...** Mt. Ida in Historic Ellicott City, Maryland (3691 Sarah's Lane)

**WHY...** In recognition of the spirit of friendship which inspired the original plantings of Washington D.C.'s famous cherry trees, the 2007 National Conference of State Societies is reaching out into the suburbs as a gesture of friendship to recognize Howard County's own cherry tree project and offer their support to the Blossoms of Hope's cancer awareness initiative.



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***Howard County Center for the Arts commissions artist  
for on-site project at Comcast CHERRYBRATION***

## **Children to Create Original Blossoms of Hope Canvas for Installation at Claudia Mayer Center**

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### ***Artist Duo to help community create of 100 Lanterns for Cherrybration*** **Free Workshop Offered at Centennial Park to** **Build Lanterns of Hope for Luminary Parade**

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<b>7</b> <b>9:30 – 1</b> <b>Central Library – Kickoff</b> <b>Dr. Peter Beilenson -</b> <b>Clinician</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> <b>9:30 – 1</b> <b>Elkridge Library</b>	<b>9:30 – 1</b> <b>Columbia L</b>
<b>14</b> <b>9:30 – 1</b> <b>Glenwood Library</b>	<b>15</b> <b>9:30 – 1</b> <b>Savage Library</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>9:30 – 1</b> <b>Miller Libra</b>